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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

1. MINISTER OF STATE AHMAD ABDU SAID HAS ASKED AMBASSADOR IF EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE HIM WITH DATA ON SOUTH YEMENI MILITARY CAPABILITIES. HE SAYS PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI WANTS TO REASSESS ALL ACTUAL AND POTENTIAL THREATS TO YAR IN LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS UNDER WAY IN RED SEA AREA, AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING USG COULD MAKE AVAILABLE. SAID SAYS YARG IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN STRENGTH FIGURES, EQUIPMENT INVENTORIES, LOCATION OF MAJOR MILITARY UNITS, AND OUR OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF THE PDRY ARMED FORCES.

2. OUR HOLDINGS ON PDRY ARE LIMITED, AND ALMOST EVERYTHING WE HAVE ON THE SOUTH YEMENI MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT IS CLASSIFIED SECRET WITH THE CAVEAT NO FOREIGN DISSEMINATION. AT THE SAME TIME WE BELIEVE THAT OUR EFFORTS TO NURTURE A NASCENT DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP WITH YEMEN WARRANT AN ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE YARG WITH INFORMATION WHICH PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI CAN USE IN ANALYZING HIS COUNTRY'S DEFENSE POSTURE.

3. CAN DEPARTMENT PROVIDE US WITH SANITIZED INFORMATION
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